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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants through counsel herewith submit a copy of the publication as set forth in the attached form PTO-1449 as follows:

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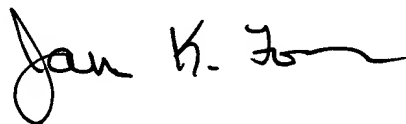
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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above-listed reference in the examination of this application and list this reference of record in the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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- (X) Enclosed is an IDS, PTO Form 1449 and cited reference to be filed in the above-referenced application.
- (X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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